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REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRIORITY

Sir:

Applicant is in receipt of the Office Action of January 8, 2010 for the above-referenced application. This application is a national phase application of PCT/EP2004/050228 and claims priority of the same. Upon review of Applicant's file, it was noticed that the Examiner has not yet acknowledged the claim for priority and receipt of the priority application. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to acknowledge receipt of the record copy of the international application and the priority claim and forward the same to Applicant's representative at his earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted,
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